



OSSEO-MAPLE GROVE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION SECRETARY'S REPORT

February 18th, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Greg Eckman, President at 7:01 p.m.

Attending:

President:	Greg Eckman
Vice President:	Mark Pallansch
Secretary:	Mike Parenteau
Treasurer:	Scott Ross
Fundraising:	Rachel Palmer
IT:	Donna Olson
Training:	Jason Albeck
Tournament & Events	Jarred Semerad
Equip	Joel Betker
House FP:	Holly Jenson
Sr. House Baseball (13-15):	Brandon Jackson
Jr. House Baseball (10-12):	Caleb Johnson
Jr. House Baseball (8-9):	Aric Stienessen

Open Forum:

Peter Ames was present to discuss holding a fundraiser for an upcoming Omaha Traveling baseball tournament, in the amount of \$2045.00 This would be in addition to already approved tournament expenses. Discussion included possibilities of increasing to more than one team, whether funding should include hotels and what should be family responsibilities.

Parks and Recreation Report:

Chris Morrow reported a meeting on Feb 19th regarding baseball fields, but it will have little effect on our program. Cedar Island may be affected, but would occur after the school year ends and before the next school year starts.

Chris had received e-mails about OMGAA signage around town. OMGAA does not use yard sign. Permanent signage at fields and scoreboards is not permitted but city is beginning to approve some cases. Temporary signage (banners) can be used but require park board approval. Signage request should be submitted at least one month before use.

Further discussion revolved around specific field issues, set up and maintenance.

Consent Items:

Motion to approve Consent Items was made by Mike
Seconded by Donna
Motion was approved by voice vote.

Discussion item was added to new business: clarification of Academic Scholarship requirements.

Directors Reports (non-Consent):

Training: Winter baseball clinics have players enrolled. Tryout dry runs will be limited to enrolled players.

OMGAA will host an MYAS Coaches Pitching Clinic on April 1st at MGJH
To date, 31 coaches have registered.

The OMGAA Coaching Guide still needs final write up for individual leagues.

Trusted Coaches will provide background checks

Equip: Nothing to report at this time.

T&E:

13 AAA Tournament 11 of 12 teams registered.

12 A 10 of 12

11 A only 4 of 12

Working with new coordinator on fundraising efforts for tournaments.

Sr. House: So far, 1 team at each level. Needs information for scheduling tryouts and dome time.

HFP: STMA House 12U is asking for an opportunity to play OMGAA House team.

Jr. H: 10-12: Dome time and evaluators scheduled for March 30th.

Jr. H: (8-9): Dome time and evaluators scheduled, plans are underway of an opening day events (with Jr. H 10-12 and possibly HFP)

Old Business:

Fundraising Chipotle: not very successful, raising only \$123.00. Discussed an e-mail blast ahead of future restaurant fundraising events.

Rachel raised the idea of monthly or bi-monthly news letter to create a better information stream and limit "blast" e-mails.

Gleason update: Greg met with Chuck Stifter and Scott Ross, board is actively ruling out alternative operations and considering our requested needs. March may have significant progress.

New Business:

Tryouts/evaluations: Greg reminded all directors to finalize plans, dates and evaluators.

Uniforms: Greg reminded directors to have their uniforms ordered on time for delivery. Tom Cary is coordinating with Caleb and Brandon to order uniforms for their programs.

Fundraising: (Discussed in Consent Items). Rachel has had discussions with some coaches regarding alternative ideas.

Field Use: Caleb had questions regarding field and date availability.

Scholarship requirements:

Scott raised inconsistency issues with Scholarship information as posted on our web pages.

Motion to amend the Academic Scholarship Policy Section 3 – Policy Item 2

Eligibility, Paragraph 3 to read:

“Applicants must have a minimum of two (2) full seasons of play within an OMGAA Baseball, Fastpitch Softball, or Special Olympics Softball program, with at least one (1) year being while a Freshman, Sophomore or Junior”.

Motion made Jason

Second by Brandon

Motion was approved by voice vote.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn was made by Holly

Seconded by Caleb

Motion was approved by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm

Submitted by Mike Parenteau, OMGAA Secretary

Minutes are not considered official until approved by the Board at the next meeting.